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House Resolution 110

By: Representatives Rogers of the 26th, Mills of the 25th, Collins of the 27th, and Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Jill Goforth on her appointment as the principal of New
- 2 Holland Elementary School; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Jill Goforth received her calling as an educator while she was only in the second
- 4 grade when she realized that she wanted to be just like her teacher at the old Candler Street
- 5 School in Gainesville, Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she comes from a long legacy of educators as her grandmother and aunt were
- 7 teachers, her mother substitute taught for many years, and she has two sisters who teach at
- 8 Centennial Elementary School; and
- 9 WHEREAS, she earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in education as well as a
- 10 master's add-on in leadership and administration from the University of Georgia, and she
- obtained her specialist degree from Brenau University in Gainesville, Georgia; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she began her professional education career at Oakwood Elementary School,
- where she taught second grade for seven years and then took some time off to raise her two
- children, Key and Preston, before serving two years as the director of preschool at the First
- 15 Baptist Church; and
- WHEREAS, she spent the rest of her teaching years at Enota and Centennial Elementary
- 17 Schools before helping to open New Holland Elementary School in 2003 and serving as the
- school's assistant principal for three years; and
- 19 WHEREAS, on December 6, 2006, the Gainesville City Board of Education named Jill
- 20 Goforth as the principal of New Holland Elementary School; and
- 21 WHEREAS, she is widely recognized throughout the state as the personification of
- 22 excellence in education; and

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1 WHEREAS, this highly respected teacher and administrator believes that her role as an

- 2 educator is to prepare children to become adults and to do whatever it takes to reach students
- 3 and make sure that they are successful, which is exactly what she has been doing and will
- 4 continue to do at New Holland Elementary School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Jill Goforth is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of
- 6 educators and school administrators are making on the quality of education received by the
- 7 children of this state and it is abundantly fitting and proper that her superlative
- 8 accomplishment of being named principal of New Holland Elementary School be recognized
- 9 appropriately.
- 10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 11 members of this body congratulate Jill Go forth on being named principal of New Holland
- 12 Elementary School and commend her excellent service and outstanding contributions in the
- 13 field of education in the State of Georgia.
- 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jill Goforth.